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Attached is the journal of the Office of Legislative Counsel for 3 August. It contains entries concerning conversations with Snodgrass on the Building.

I have developed an additional thought on this matter. Would you be good enough to buzz me upon your reading of the attachment.

/s/ John F. Blake

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25X1	of Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.), in response to his earlier can asking for comments on ambiguities concerning Vietnam. I told Shaw that everyone at the Agency felt that the major questions regarding Vietnam had been raised and sufficiently covered. Shaw thanked me for checking.
25X1 25X1A 25X1A	Internal Security Subcommittee staff, called and asked me to check and see whatis doing. Martin had gotten a letter from Bill Stoneman, a personal friend, who had inquired about I told Martin I would check and get back in touch is handling. 25X1A
25X1	House staff, called regarding the proposed IC staff move. We discussed the application of a waiver and Rourke mentioned three alternatives: 1) have the President issue a waiver under his authorities, 2) have the Agency issue a waiver under its authorities, or 3) go to the Appropriations Committees. I told him I believed Tony Lapham, our General Counsel, had decided that Agency authorities did not apply in this case. Rourke also asked about the House Appropriations Committee. I told him that they were in favor of a separate Intelligence Community, but the subject of a Presidential waiver had not been raised with them. Rourke also mentioned that there was a 2 August deadline and asked whether this was the date when the bid would be awarded. I told him I would check on all this and be back in touch.  After talking with Lapham and Chuck Snodgrass, House Appropriations Committee staff, I called Rourke back and told him that the move is consistent with the House Committee's feelings, although Presidential review had not been discussed, and their only problem was the cost which they asked be reduced. I told Rourke that language had been included in the House Appropriations Committee report. Lapham said that the 2 August deadline was the date when contractors could withdraw their bids, but there is no indication that any will. Also Lapham said that Agency authorities are not applicable here but the President has a different kind of determination on which to base a waiver. Rourke appreciated the response and thanked me for my help. He said they

JK) DELIVERY Delivered to Charles Snodgrass,

House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee staff, a package concerning questions on the 1977 CIA Budget Justification Book for the Office of

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Appropriations Committee staff, with regard to a call I received from Russ Rourke, White House staff, concerning the proposed IC staff move. I asked Snodgrass whether there would be any problem if we had to come to the Committee in order to receive a waiver from going the public buildings route. Snodgrass said the Committee fully endorsed moving the IC staff to a separate building and so stated in their Committee report. He said Chairman George Mahon had a problem with the proposed cost and asked that it be reduced. At this time the Committee's position on this matter is that they fully support the IC staff being in a separate building, would like it done as cheaply as possible, and that the Chairman and the Committee have not addressed the question of whether this should go through the Public Buildings Act.

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